

RE: Truck convoy

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Thanks, s.38

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Made some small adjustments and moved the bullets around for an email to Annette. Thought it was excellent. Wanted to include you on the encrypted email, but it had a problem with your certificate. Could you look into that? (It's why it sent and then recalled)

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You can change the RDIMS document type to transitory and delete it now.

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I understand not specifying the company has to do with proactively de-classifying documents for public release considering it has often been used to justifying redaction under ATIA Sections 16(1)(c) and 16(2). Clarifying with Legal would definitely be beneficial.

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As for key points regarding the situation, please find attached a brief background and financial considerations from our perspective to share with Annette that might be helpful.

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Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

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Thank you,

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Is that due to the section 58(2) limitation? Because the reading of that part of the Act really hinges on the interpretation of “about whom a report or information was provided”. Is a report really ABOUT those methods, or is instead about the individuals at the centre of the report. Something to explore with Legal if that is, in fact, where we feel stymied. I’d rather confirm and push back where appropriate.

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In some way I’m contradicting earlier advice I provided to s.38 team, when it came to identifying a VC exchange, so we may want to collectively work to clarify this if we haven’t already.

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On the reporting side, my musing was more in the policy space—which I admit is not our area—in that is this something we should raise as a potential gap or do we feel that we have enough coverage that this would be redundant? It seems like it would be possible to AMP non-compliant crowdfunding sites, for example, if we do find them knowingly or recklessly enabling TF.

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Either way, keep me updated. If you are up for it/have the capacity, wouldn’t mind sharing with Annette a bit of a FYI on the situation being monitored for her info. She has a bilat with the Director tomorrow, and not a bad issue for her to have background on if it comes up.

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REs have reported on a donation on crowdfunding websites such as GoFundMe if a certain campaign is adversely reported on in media. However, we are unable to name specific websites that threat actors may commonly use to crowdfund in our published guidance – which may hinder RE’s ability to submit relevant information when the crowdfunding website being used is obscure (i.e. s.38

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I've been following it as well, at least from a media perspective. Ms. Davis has been particularly good on this on twitter. I expect we won't see much reporting until there is an actual incident of violent extremism associated with the protest—definitely something to keep an eye on.

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It really brings to mind the vulnerability associated with crowdfunding sites. Do we have any insight into how often they appear in STR narratives? Since they are not reporting entities (should they be?), the only link would be if a financial institution connects the transaction as being to something suspicious (most likely fraud, but TF does seem to be the other vector).

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Several news reports (links below) emerged yesterday linking Canadian far-right and white nationalist groups to the "Freedom Convoy". These groups are using the convoy as an opportunity to call for the protests to be Canada's version of last year's Jan. 6 riot in Washington, amongst other calls for violence. I've also been in touch with Intel who will keep me in the loop on any new developments on there end. So far s.38 has shared the attached sitrep from PS.

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s.38 will be sending a Lab request shortly to see if we received any reporting. No doubt this will also come up in the s.38 meeting I'll be attending next week, it would be good to know if we have any data on this.

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Thanks,

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<https://apple.news/AGsLcdJX1Q3qsDFxrTgeddw>

<https://globalnews.ca/news/8537433/far-right-groups-trucker-protest-jan-6/>

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<https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/funds-frozen-after-millions-raised-for-truckers-protesting-vaccine-mandate-1.5753090>